

REMARKS

Claims 1-20, 22-24, and 26-27 are pending in this application.

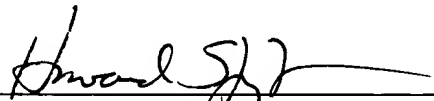
Claims 1-20, 22-24, and 26-27 are rejected.

Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of all rejections for the reasons identified in the attached draft Appellant's Brief, and further respectfully requests that there be an early notice of allowance.

SUMMARY

Applicant does not believe that any other fees are due at this time; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to this document, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct the fees from Deposit Account No. 50-1673, Order Number 069092.0124.

Respectfully submitted,



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